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Appendix A: Defence Cooperation Program

The Defence Cooperation Program (DCP) has made a major contribution to regional stability and security and been a significant element of Australia's international defence engagement since the 1960s. The DCP was originally formed through bilateral military-to-military engagements in Singapore and Malaysia in the 1960s. It now supports engagement with military, police and security forces in over 30 countries across the Indo-Pacific.

The program:

- enables cooperative development of capability;
- improves Australia's capacity to work with partners in response to common security challenges; and
- builds strong people-to-people links with partner militaries at the tactical, operational and strategic levels.

The *2026 National Defence Strategy* reaffirms the DCP as the primary mechanism for Australia's practical defence engagement in the Indo-Pacific. It helps build a diverse and robust network of bilateral, regional and multilateral partnerships, essential for navigating a challenging strategic environment and supporting a favourable balance of power. Priority regions sit in our primary area of military interest, encompassing the Northeast Indian Ocean through maritime Southeast Asia into the Pacific. The program helps to maximise Australia's security by developing close and enduring links with partners that support their capacity to; protect their sovereignty, work effectively with the Australian Defence Force, and contribute to regional resilience and security.

DCP activities includes education courses, training, personnel exchanges, capacity building, military secondments, strategic dialogues, visits, infrastructure support, exercises and operations.

The DCP supports the provision of education and training positions in Australia for international military personnel. Junior and senior officers from regional countries undertake short and long-term courses at Australian military and civilian educational institutions. This training builds military professionalism by equipping participants with the skills they will use throughout their military careers. International defence personnel also return home with a better understanding of Australia and networks with counterparts in the ADF and Department of Defence. These people-to-people links are further maintained through defence alumni associations.

Australia maintains regular Strategic dialogues with regional countries in order to exchange views on regional security issues and to discuss defence cooperation priorities. The DCP also supports a program of visits by senior defence representatives to and from Australia. These visits provide an opportunity for Australia and regional partners to improve their mutual understanding of each other's strategic perspectives and military capabilities.

Defence seeks to develop the institutional and governance frameworks of regional defence organisations as well as the capabilities of their security forces. The DCP achieves these objectives through ADF mentoring and training teams, support for logistics and infrastructure development, and the posting of Defence personnel as advisers to regional defence and security organisations. It is in Australia's interest to support professional and capable regional militaries that we can operate with to advance regional security and stability.

The Papua New Guinea (PNG) DCP, our largest with any country, supports our new ally to be a more capable, regional security partner, and helps current and future leaders to build a strong and resilient Defence Organisation. The PNG DCP will continue to facilitate the conduct of bilateral exercises, mobile training teams, logistics support, capability development, governance, training support and information sharing.

In the Pacific, the centrepiece of Australia’s DCP is the Pacific Maritime Security Program (PMSP). The PMSP is the successor to the original Pacific Patrol Boat Program, and has delivered 24 Guardian-class Patrol Boats (with in-country advisory personnel, maintenance support, crew training and technical assistance) to 12 Pacific Island nations and the Republic of Maldives.

The Guardian-Class Patrol Boats were constructed by Austal Ships Pty Ltd and are larger and more capable than the Pacific Patrol Boats they replaced. The Program includes a region-wide integrated aerial surveillance capability and support for enhancing regional coordination. The PMSP works with Pacific navies and police maritime elements (and partners like the United States, New Zealand, France and Japan) to enhance their capabilities and capacity to protect their sovereign waters and contribute to regional maritime security.

In Southeast Asia, the DCP is the primary mechanism for Australia’s practical defence engagement. It facilitates activities that enables the ADF to work with partner defence forces for mutually beneficial exchange and training, collaborate on shared concerns, and respond to regional priorities. We are expanding our defence cooperation in areas including maritime security, infrastructure support, peacekeeping, military medicine and English language training.

The ADF conducts exercises with other militaries in order to build our shared capacity to work together in response to regional security contingencies. These include humanitarian assistance and disaster relief, peacekeeping, counter-terrorism, maritime security, and military governance and professionalism. These exercises are conducted in the air, land and maritime domains and take place both in Australia and across the region. Exercising together promotes interoperability and builds familiarity between our armed forces and those of our regional military partners.

Table 53: Defence Cooperation Program Budget 2026-27 ^[a]

The DCP helps Defence respond flexibly to partners’ needs. In particular, the PMSP and Indo-Pacific Infrastructure Program enable investment across domains to complement bilateral Defence programs.

Defence is committed to being responsive to the needs of our international partners, which can shift in a dynamic strategic environment - requiring the re-allocation of funds between nations or at a regional level. In our near region in particular, climate change, transnational crime and other security threats mean partner security forces increasingly focus on shared regional resilience and disaster preparedness. In order to remain flexible and responsive to emerging and long-term needs of our partners, the DCP budget allocation occurs at the regional level.

	2025-26 Revised Estimate \$'000	2025-26 Estimated Actual \$'000	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$'000
Pacific Region	335,699	285,433	312,283
Southeast Asia	36,887	28,868	31,150
Other regional activities	28,668	18,965	22,993
Defence International Training Centre	662	685	550
Total	401,916	333,951	366,976

Note

a. Defence Cooperation Program funding does not include support provided through the Capability Acquisition Program.

Appendix B: Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Program Approved Projects

The Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Program Approved Projects table includes other elements of acquisition that contribute to an overall capability (excluding workforce). Projects are grouped in the revised domain structure introduced through Defence’s Capability Program Architecture.

The Military Equipment Acquisition line in the table corresponds to the historical presentation for this table, which would principally include the project elements relating to the acquisition of major systems, such as aircraft, ships or vehicles. Where projects involve other elements that are not part of the major capability system, these have been included within the Other Project Inputs to Capability line. This could include facilities, information communications technology, and research and development.

Table 54: Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Program Approved Projects by 2026-27 Forecast Expenditure (Gross Plan) [a] [b] [c]

Domain/Project Name	Project Number/ Phase	Project Inputs to Capability	Approved Project Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Project Descriptions
Air Domain						
Medium Air Mobility Aircraft	AIR 7404	Military Equipment Acquisition	8,659	525	795	This project is approved to acquire 20 C-130J-30 Hercules aircraft, aircraft sub-systems, training devices, supplies and support services. The project will deliver these products through a combination of Foreign Military Sales and Direct Commercial Sales. Lockheed Martin Corporation is contracted by the United States Government to develop and manufacture the C-130J-30 aircraft. During 2026-27, the United States Government will implement Foreign Military Sales contracts in order to commence the production of the aircrew training devices. The project will commence establishment of contracts for aircraft and training systems sustainment and training delivery.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	60	34	15	

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Air Domain (Continued)						
F-35A Lightning II	AIR 6000	Military Equipment Acquisition	18,631	13,192	445	This project will deliver upgrades to the F-35A Lightning II fleet throughout its service life, including the modernisation of communications, navigation and identification systems, integration of advanced weapons, upgrade of simulators and trainers and supporting fundamental inputs to capability elements. The prime contractor, Lockheed Martin, is contracted to the United States Government to develop and produce F-35A Lightning II aircraft. The equipment is being procured through a cooperative program with the United States Government.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	37	37	-	During 2026-27, the project will deliver the first aircraft upgraded to a technical refresh three and initial electronic warfare baseline, as well as commence the procurement and delivery of modernised electronic warfare upgrade kits. The project will also finalise the procurement of spares and support equipment, commence integration and construction of the final United States-based software reprogramming laboratory, deliver enhanced survivability countermeasures, and establish the final propulsion Maintenance Repair Overhaul and Upgrade capability.

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Air Domain (Continued)						
Air Domain Guided Weapons and Munitions	AIR 1300	Military Equipment Acquisition	4,219	598	438	This project is acquiring air-launched weapons, air countermeasures, and associated GWEO ancillaries to enable multi domain strike, interdiction, air combat, and electronic attack missions. These capabilities will be used by Air Force platforms including the F/A-18F Super Hornet, E/A-18G Growler, P-8A Poseidon and the F-35A Lightning II. Equipment will be acquired through the United States Government Foreign Military Sales program, and via direct commercial sales including supply of general-purpose bombs through Australian Munitions and the Joint Strike Missile through Kongsberg. Deliveries of the Long Range Anti-Ship Missile and the Joint Air to Surface Standoff Missile - Extended Range were completed in early 2025-26.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	0	0	-	During 2026-27, the project will continue procurement, delivery and integration of air intercept missiles, air-launched strike weapons and associated ancillaries.
P-8A Poseidon	AIR 7000	Military Equipment Acquisition	7,409	5,580	335	This project will acquire 14 P-8A Poseidon aircraft, associated support systems as well as undertake capability upgrades for the fleet. The equipment is being procured through a cooperative program with the United States Navy.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	986	889	36	During 2026-27, the project will deliver two Upgraded Increment three P-8A Poseidon aircraft and commence introduction of mission support systems. The project will also commence testing and operational integration of the upgraded P-8A Poseidon system.

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Air Domain (Continued)						
EA-18G - Growler	AIR 5349	Military Equipment Acquisition	5,977	4,254	303	<p>This project will acquire an airborne electronic attack capability centred on the EA-18G Growler aircraft and to deliver ongoing capability upgrades. The project has delivered 12 EA-18G Growler aircraft and established necessary support systems, including electronic warfare range infrastructure. Ongoing upgrades include the Next Generation Jammer, being developed and procured through a cooperative program with the United States Navy. Other upgrades include anti-radiation missiles, aircraft system upgrades, additional maintenance capability, and enhancements to electronic warfare ranges.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will continue the introduction into service of the ALQ-249 Next Generation Jammer - Mid Band. The project will also deliver improved communications capability to electronic warfare ranges and commence operation of enhanced sovereign maintenance capability for the ALQ-99 Tactical Jammer System. In addition, the project will contribute to the development of future Growler capability upgrades under a cooperative arrangement with the United States Navy.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	800	639	30	
Air Autonomous Collaborative Platforms	AIR 6015	Military Equipment Acquisition	1,320	71	287	<p>This project will develop the MQ-28A Ghost Bat capability and modular systems, including delivery of additional MQ-28A Block 2 air vehicles and development and delivery of a Block 3 prototype, with associated ground stations, payloads and support arrangements. The project will transition the capability into operational service and lay the foundation for an Autonomous Collaborative Platform capability for the Australian Defence Force. Boeing Defence Australia are contracted for the development and production of the MQ-28A Ghost Bat aircraft, with third party integration being pursued for payloads and mission autonomy.</p> <p>In 2026-27, the project will focus on transitioning aircraft from Project DEF 6014 MQ-28A Ghost Bat to Air Force, and exploring the market for integration of third party mission autonomy and payloads.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	29	-	7	

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Air Domain (Continued)						
MQ-4C Triton	AIR 7001	Military Equipment Acquisition	2,374	1,662	189	This project will acquire four MQ-4C Triton aircraft and support systems through a cooperative program with the United States Navy. The MQ-4C Triton is a high altitude, long endurance, maritime Intelligence, Surveillance, anti-submarine warfare and electronic warfare capability that enables the persistent patrol of Australia's strategic area of interest and maritime approaches.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	680	505	14	In 2026-27, the project will continue to progress towards Initial Operational Capability, inclusive of integration to Australian networks and associated test and evaluation activities. Further activities are focussed on expanding the capability realisation of the MQ-4C Triton system.
JORN Radar and Amplifier Enhancement	AIR 2025	Military Equipment Acquisition	1,243	653	122	This project is modernising the Jindalee Operational Radar Network, including the command and control system operated from the Battlespace Surveillance Centre at RAAF Base Edinburgh, SA and the three radar sites located at Longreach, QLD, Laverton, WA and Alice Springs, NT. Other vital supporting infrastructure including the extensive Ionospheric sounder network will also be upgraded.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	130	90	28	During 2026-27, the project will deliver capability building blocks that address obsolescence, provide a more contemporary system architecture and upgrade key infrastructure elements.

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Enterprise and Enabling						
Sovereign Weapons Manufacturing	GWEO 2087 ^[e]	Military Equipment Acquisition	2,405	333	507	This project uses a programmatic approach to strengthen Australia's industrial base of Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance to improve supply chain resilience and uplift Australia's industrial capabilities. The project scope balances a mix of weapons and ordnance, including domestic production and maintenance of Naval Strike Missile and Joint Strike Missiles, Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System missiles, and forging of large calibre munitions.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	141	63	21	During 2026-27, the project is continuing its programmatic approach to the manufacture of select guided weapons, commencing with assembly of imported sections and components; manufacture of expanded types and quantities of non-guided munitions; uplift of Australian industry for the development of technologies through research and development; and co-production activities with trusted partners.
Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance Enterprise	GWEO 2092 ^[e]	Military Equipment Acquisition	597	455	16	This Project uses a programmatic approach to increase inventory of priority weapons and critical investments in Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance enabling capability elements in order to improve Australian Defence Force preparedness. Key activities include storage and distribution, test and evaluation, disposal and demilitarisation, research and development, and education and training.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	801	248	176	During 2026-27, the Project is continuing its programmatic approach to progress the delivery of Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance enabling capability elements, with storage infrastructure construction and security upgrades progressing at several sites. The project supports Test and Evaluation activities for current and future weapons as well as developing improved environmentally sustainable methods to increase disposal rates to free space for increased war stock.

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Information and Cyber						
Communications Security Modernisation	JP 9141	Military Equipment Acquisition	1,288	923	137	This project will remediate and modernise selected Australian Defence Force radios. This will ensure ongoing availability of secure communications in support of Defence operations, and interoperability with key partner communications and intelligence networks.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	119	50	22	During 2026-27, the project will commence the secure communications upgrade to the satellite communication systems, continue to upgrade secure communications on Australian Defence Force platforms and continue to deliver modernised radios.
Land Domain						
Redback Infantry Fighting Vehicle	LAND 400 Phase 3	Military Equipment Acquisition	6,711	1,667	1,005	This project will deliver 129 Redback Infantry Fighting Vehicles to replace the M113 Armoured Personnel Carrier fleet. The vehicles will be delivered across two variants in the Infantry Fighting Role and the Command and Control/Joint Fires Role. The Infantry Fighting Vehicle will provide high levels of protection, mobility and lethality and is capable of carrying six dismounted soldiers in addition to a crew of three.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	392	52	69	During 2026-27, the project will commence production of Redback Infantry Fighting Vehicles, including both the Infantry Fighting Role and the Command and Control/Joint Fires Role. It will also continue verification and validation activities, and commence initial training courses.
AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopter	LAND 4503	Military Equipment Acquisition	4,419	1,507	784	This project will acquire 29 AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopters with associated training devices, spares and support through the United States Government Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program. The AH-64E Apache is a proven and mature helicopter fleet and will replace the Tiger Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter capability.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	584	154	157	During 2026-27, the project will deliver additional AH-64E Apache aircraft, additional training systems and an expanded support system.

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Land Domain (Continued)						
Boxer Combat Reconnaissance Vehicles	LAND 400 Phase 2	Military Equipment Acquisition	5,814	3,559	645	<p>This project will deliver 211 Boxer 8x8 Combat Reconnaissance Vehicles for Reconnaissance, Joint Fires and Surveillance, Multi-Purpose, Command, Repair and Recovery roles. It will also acquire 12 additional Mission Modules. The vehicles will replace the Australian Defence Force's current combat reconnaissance vehicle capability, the Australian Light Armoured Vehicle. The primary role of the vehicles will be to perform ground-based reconnaissance and counter-reconnaissance activities. The additional Mission Modules will enable the rapid re-role from one variant to another.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will continue to deliver the Block II Reconnaissance turreted variant, including delivery of the series of Australian-built vehicles. Prototype production and acceptance testing for the non-turreted Joint Fires and Surveillance, Command and Recovery variants will occur. Delivery of Simulation and Training Equipment will also commence.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	124	86	0	
First Long Range Fires Regiment	LAND 8113 Phase 1	Military Equipment Acquisition	2,136	510	285	<p>This project will deliver Army's first long range fires regiment, providing High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems (HIMARS) armed with Precision Strike Missile and Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System munitions, Resupply Vehicles and Resupply Trailers. The capability will enhance land and maritime strike and strengthen Army's ability to prevent an adversary's forces from entering an operational area.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will continue to deliver the next tranche of HIMARS, Resupply Vehicles and Resupply Trailers, as well as Precision Strike Missiles, Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System munitions, and progressing introduction into service activities.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	538	143	146	

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Land Domain (Continued)						
UH-60M Black Hawk Utility Helicopter	LAND 4507	Military Equipment Acquisition	3,368	1,635	275	This project will acquire 40 UH-60M Black Hawks with associated role and mission equipment, training devices, spares and support through the United States Government Foreign Military Sales program. The UH-60M Black Hawk is a proven and mature combat capability able to rapidly deploy in a wide variety of air mobility and battlefield support roles.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	377	53	24	During 2026-27, the project will acquire additional spares, tooling, deployment kits and other support system requirements to enable operations across two nodes, Holsworthy and Oakey. The final Black Hawk Aircrew Trainer will be delivered to the Aviation Training Centre, Oakey.
Army Littoral Manoeuvre - Light	LAND 8710 Phase 1	Military Equipment Acquisition	2,302	305	221	This project will acquire 18 Landing Craft Medium (LCM) and 15 Amphibious Vehicle Logistics (AVL), allowing Army to replace the legacy landing craft (Landing Craft Mechanized, Mark 8) and the legacy over-the-shore capability (Lighter Amphibious Re-supply Cargo 5(V) ton). The LCM provides enhanced transport and deployment capability to a wider range of landing sites. It will be lightly armed for self-protection and capable of projecting loads up to 80 tonnes (including tanks, long-range fires, infantry fighting vehicles, other combat units and supplies). The AVL will provide over-the-shore mobility and sustainment of the Integrated Force in littoral environments inaccessible to landing craft or vehicles. It will be able to transport cargo loads of around five tonnes, playing an essential role in providing access over beaches and through waterways that may be obstructed by obstacles or debris. In 2026-27, the project will commence production for LCM 1 and the AV-L project prototype.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	288	52	38	

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Land Domain (Continued)						
Landing Craft - Heavy	LAND 8710 Phase 2	Military Equipment Acquisition	7,261	105	241	<p>This project will acquire eight Landing Craft Heavy (LCH) to provide the reach and lift to manoeuvre Army's modernised combined-arms land system in littoral environments.</p> <p>The LCH, designed by Damen Naval, will be capable of transporting more than 500 tonnes of long range precision strike weapons and other units by sea, greatly enhancing the Australian Defence Force's amphibious capability and humanitarian and disaster relief.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will commence production for LCH 1.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	1,517	2	3	
Long Range Fires - Upgrade 2	LAND 8113 Phase 2	Military Equipment Acquisition	3,115	154	192	<p>This project comprises two sub-projects at different stages of approval. Multi Mission Phased Array Radar will deliver 14 land-based radar sensors capable of supporting long-range precision fires, counter-battery missions, and the integrated force. The Second Long Range Fires Regiment will expand Army's long-range fires capability through the delivery of a second regiment, capable of land-based maritime strike.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the Multi Mission Phased Array Radar sub-project will continue key capability development activities, including Command and Control Vehicle design, facilities, training and progressing the support contract. The Second Long Range Fires Regiment sub-project will commence acquisition of the second regiment capabilities.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	227	8	49	

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Land Domain (Continued)						
Special Operations Capability Enhancements	LAND 1508	Military Equipment Acquisition	397	263	47	This project will continue to rapidly evolve leading edge capability in response to the changing operational environment, emerging threats and advancing technology.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	503	226	102	During 2026-27, the project will complete Final Materiel Releases under Tranche 1, and continue to deliver Tranche 2 capabilities.
Maritime Domain						
Nuclear-Powered Submarines	DEF 1	Military Equipment Acquisition	20,771	7,357	2,127	Through the AUKUS partnership, this project will acquire, operate and sustain a sovereign, conventionally-armed fleet of nuclear-powered submarines. This will deliver Australia a more capable and potent submarine force to enhance Australia's ability to deter threats to its security and stability of the Indo-Pacific. This project includes delivery of the associated infrastructure and support systems necessary to safely and securely sustain, operate, build and dispose of nuclear-powered submarines. During 2026-27, the project continues to:
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	2,455	805	708	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest in our Royal Australian Navy personnel, Australia's sovereign submarine partners for Submarine Rotational Force (SRF) West, and industrial base and workforce to maximise Australian opportunities for the program; Work towards the acquisition of Virginia class submarines and equipment; Implement mobilisation activities and acquire equipment in respect of the construction of SSN-AUKUS Submarines; and Deliver infrastructure works at HMAS Stirling, and provision of initial SRF-West housing requirements.

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Maritime Domain (Continued)						
Hunter Class Frigate	SEA 5000	Military Equipment Acquisition	26,570	6,923	2,465	The project will deliver six Hunter Class anti-submarine warfare frigates, and an associated support system that includes training, spares, tools and test equipment. The Hunter Class frigates will be optimised for anti-submarine warfare to maintain the Royal Australian Navy's Tier 1 Surface Combatant capability.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	1,200	725	18	The project transitioned to the construction phase on 1 July 2024 with the commencement of construction of the first three ships. Over half of the first ship is under construction and the second ship will commence in 2026-27. The design and production phase, which commenced in 2019 and included shipyard set to work and prototyping, is ramping down, but residual scope will continue until 2027-28.
Maritime Guided Weapons and Munitions	SEA 1300	Military Equipment Acquisition	16,902	3,265	845	This Project uses a programmatic approach to deliver Navy guided weapons and munitions capabilities. The project executes through three teams: air and missile defence, maritime strike, and underwater warfare weapons. Procurement is through mechanisms including the United States Government Foreign Military Sales program, direct commercial sales and various bi-lateral and multi-lateral cooperative arrangements.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	101	40	12	In 2026-27, the project will continue to progress development and acquisition activities related to long-range anti-ship and land strike missiles, extended range surface-to-air missiles, air and missile defence weapons, advanced lightweight torpedoes, heavyweight torpedoes, smart sea mines, munitions and countermeasures.

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Maritime Domain (Continued)						
General Purpose Frigates	SEA 3000	Military Equipment Acquisition	7,532	96	649	The SEA3000 General Purpose Frigate program is an accelerated capability program designed to deliver a fleet of new general purpose frigates to the Royal Australian Navy as fast as possible.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	422	23	52	During 2026-27, the project will commence the construction of the first General Purpose Frigate to be delivered to the Royal Australian Navy in 2029. The first three frigates will be built offshore in Japan.
Aegis Baseline	SEA 4000 Phase 6	Military Equipment Acquisition	4,311	1,637	642	This project will deliver the upgrade of the Aegis Combat System from Baseline 8 to Baseline 9, as well as the insertion of a new Australian Combat Management System - replacing the Australian Tactical Interface with a Saab developed Australian Interface.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	145	25	13	In 2026-27, the project will continue to advance the Australian Defence Force's Integrated Air and Missile Defence capability through the introduction of Aegis Baseline 9. The project remains on schedule, with Ship 1 production continuing following its commencement in 2025.
Uncrewed Maritime Warfare	SEA 1200	Military Equipment Acquisition	2,053	175	368	This project will deliver multiple maritime uncrewed platforms as part of an integrated uncrewed maritime mission capability providing persistent intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) and contributing to strike effects.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	152	68	22	During 2026-27, the project will deliver the initial variants of the Ghost Shark and Bluebottle platforms and continue the continuous capability development and delivery of the subsequent capability variants.

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Maritime Domain (Continued)						
MH 60R Seahawk Helicopter	SEA 9100	Military Equipment Acquisition	4,707	3,576	293	<p>This project will acquire MH-60R Seahawk multi-mission helicopters and associated mission and support systems, through the United States Government Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program. This will increase Navy's MH-60R Seahawk fleet to 36 aircraft.</p> <p>In 2026-27, the project will accept the first additional MH-60R Seahawk helicopters into service and declare Initial Operating Capability. The project will continue progressing the acquisition of the remaining MH-60R helicopters, procurement of additional spares and increase the support arrangements for Navy's expanded MH-60R fleet.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	378	257	83	
Arafura Class	SEA 1180	Military Equipment Acquisition	3,739	2,257	256	<p>This project will acquire six Arafura class Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) to support maritime border patrol and response.</p> <p>The project achieved Contract Acceptance in January 2025 and September 2025 respectively for the first and second OPV following construction in Adelaide, South Australia. OPV 1 was commissioned in June 2025.</p> <p>The next four OPVs are under construction at Henderson, Western Australia. The third OPV was launched in October 2025.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	984	742	71	
Collins Life Of Type Extension	SEA 1450	Military Equipment Acquisition	1,429	519	262	<p>This project is one of the three elements of the Collins Class Submarine (CCSM) Life of Type Extension (LOTE) Program.</p> <p>In 2026-27, the project will continue to optimise availability and reliability of CCSM out to the Amended Planned Withdrawal Date.</p>
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	15	3	6	

Table 54: Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Program Approved Projects by 2026-27 Forecast Expenditure (Gross Plan) (Continued) ^{[a][b][c]}

Domain/Project Name	Project Number/Phase	Project Inputs to Capability	Approved Project Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Project Descriptions
Maritime Domain (Continued)						
Maritime Electromagnetic Manoeuvre	SEA 5011	Military Equipment Acquisition	764	421	161	This project will deliver the next generation of Maritime Electronic Warfare Systems to Navy. This includes the acquisition, integration and sustainment of a suite of new and extant electronic warfare capabilities.
		Other Project Inputs to Capability	63	33	18	During 2026-27, the program will deliver and install a suite of new passive decoys on surface combatant platforms. Additionally, the program will continue to mature a number of emergent technologies and capabilities in the Electronic Warfare Domain.

Table 54: Top 30 Military Equipment Acquisition Program Approved Projects by 2026-27 Forecast Expenditure (Gross Plan) (Continued) ^{[a][b][c]}

	Approved Project Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m
Total Top 30 Projects (Gross Plan) - Total	192,670	70,231	17,276
Total Top 30 Projects (Gross Plan) - Other Project Inputs to Capability	14,246	6,056	1,939
Total Top 30 Projects (Gross Plan) - Military Equipment Acquisition	178,423	64,176	15,337
Other Approved Project Gross Plans - Military Equipment Acquisition	60,269	40,993	3,259
Total Approved Projects (Gross Plan) - Military Equipment Acquisition	238,692	105,168	18,596
Over-programming - Military Equipment Acquisition			-4,016
Net Approved Program - Military Equipment Acquisition			14,580

Notes

- a. Approved Project Expenditure, Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 and Budget Estimate 2026-27 are on an accrual basis, and funded by appropriation.
- b. Budget estimates shown as 0 are amounts greater than \$0 but less than \$500,000.
- c. Figures may not add due to rounding.
- d. Project Number/Phase has changed from the *Defence Portfolio Budget Statements 2025-26*, from JP 2087 and JP 2092.

Appendix C: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products

The Top 30 Capability Sustainment products are grouped in the revised domain structure introduced through Defence's Capability Program Architecture.

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 ^[a] ^[b]

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Air Domain			
F-35 Joint Strike Fighter	CAF30	688	<p>The F-35A Lightning II capability comprises 72 aircraft (and associated support elements) operating from RAAF Base Williamtown, NSW and RAAF Base Tindal, NT. The F-35A Lightning II capability provides Australia with a fifth-generation Air Combat capability. Sustainment is primarily delivered through the F-35 Global Support Solution facilitated by the United States based F-35 Joint Program Office and supplemented through sovereign direct commercial arrangements.</p> <p>During 2026-27, Defence will continue to mature the F-35A Lightning II sustainment support system to meet the directed level of operational capability and Air Force pilot training throughput requirements.</p>
F/A-18F Super Hornet & Growler Weapon System	CAF21	541	<p>The Air Combat and Airborne Electronic Attack capability comprises a fleet of 24 F/A-18F Super Hornet and 12 EA-18G Growler aircraft, with associated support elements operating from RAAF Base Amberley, QLD.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the F/A-18F Super Hornet and EA-18G Growler fleets continue to deliver the force generation outcomes. The Spiral Upgrade Program delivers hardware, software and training system upgrades to the F/A-18F Super Hornet and EA-18G Growler fleets and the integration of a range of new weapons and stores. This integration work will enhance the lethality and survivability of the platforms and maintain interoperability with the United States Navy.</p>
Airborne Early Warning and Control System	CAF20	358	<p>The Airborne Early Warning and Control capability comprises six E-7A Wedgetail aircraft and associated support elements operated from RAAF Base Williamtown, NSW. Sustainment is conducted under a performance-based arrangement for maintenance, logistics, engineering, training and program management to support the capability.</p> <p>During 2026-27, E-7A Wedgetail capability will continue to support military operations and force-generation requirements, with sustainment efforts prioritising the management of mission and support system obsolescence. Focussed improvements to sustainment performance through deeper maintenance improvement initiatives will aim to optimise aircraft availability.</p>
P-8A Poseidon Maritime Patrol and Response	CAF35	255	<p>The P-8A Poseidon capability currently comprises 13 aircraft and support elements operated from RAAF Base Edinburgh, SA. Support elements include three Mobile Tactical Operation Centres including deployable flyaway kits, and various training support systems including two operational flight trainers and weapons tactics trainers. The capability is supported via a cooperative program with the United States Navy and a through life support contract for sustainment within Australia.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the P-8A Poseidon fleet will continue to support military operations and force generation, including transition to operate Increment 3 upgraded aircraft. Growth in aircrew numbers and annual flying hours is planned to meet National Defence Strategy requirements. Contracted aircraft maintenance will move into the new Deeper Maintenance and Modification Facility.</p>

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 (Continued) ^[a] ^[b]

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Air Domain (Continued)			
KC-30A Weapon System Multi-role Tanker Transport	CAF22	200	<p>The Multi-Role Tanker Transport capability comprises seven KC-30A aircraft, a flight simulator and associated support elements, operated from RAAF Base Amberley, QLD. All seven aircraft are capable of air-to-air refuelling from pod and boom systems and airlift logistics support. Support is provided through a performance-based arrangement for maintenance, logistics, engineering, training and program management.</p> <p>During 2026-27, Defence's operational readiness will be strengthened by ensuring robust support to military operations, optimising sustainment performance, and advancing critical mid-life upgrade and obsolescence management programs. The capability will further enhance force-level integration by expanding the portfolio of aircraft certified for air-to-air refuelling from the KC-30A Multi-Role Tanker Transport, reinforcing Australia's preparedness and sovereign operational flexibility.</p>
C-17 Heavy Air Lift Weapons System	CAF19	172	<p>The Heavy Airlift capability comprises eight C-17A Globemaster III aircraft, a flight simulator, and associated support elements operated from RAAF Base Amberley, QLD. The majority of sustainment support for aircraft and training systems is provided via United States Air Force Foreign Military Sales global support arrangements for the worldwide C-17A Globemaster fleet. These global sustainment arrangements are supplemented by a contract for support services within Australia.</p> <p>During 2026-27, through a structured program of fleet modifications and targeted upgrades, the fleet will continue to address emerging obsolescence while sustaining and enhancing performance, availability and readiness. The capability will maintain configuration alignment with the United States Air Force, in order to ensure an enduring level of interoperability and sustainment resilience.</p>
Lead-In Fighter Hawk 127 Weapon System	CAF03	147	<p>The Lead-In Fighter Training System comprises 33 Hawk 127 Lead-In Fighter aircraft and related support systems operated from RAAF Base Williamtown, NSW and RAAF Base Pearce, WA.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus remains on generating required rates of availability to support Air Force pilot training requirements, while delivering assurance activities to enable sustained capability output through to planned withdrawal date.</p>
C-130J-30 Weapon System	CAF06	138	<p>The Medium Airlift capability consists of 12 C-130J-30 Hercules aircraft, a flight simulator, and associated support elements operated from RAAF Base Richmond, NSW. The capability is supported by two performance-based contracts for deeper level maintenance, logistics and engineering support for the aircraft, and for support for the propulsion system.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus remains on generating required rates of availability to support Air Force requirements and executing sustainment assurance activities that deliver the directed capability output. Minor refinement of the extant commercial arrangements will be considered to ensure the C-130J remains fit for purpose through to planned withdrawal date.</p>
Pilot Training System	CAF37	136	<p>This capability provides an integrated fixed-wing pilot training system, consisting of 49 PC-21 aircraft, a variety of training devices and associated courseware, for ab-initio pilots and qualified flying instructors for Navy, Army and Air Force. Aircraft currently operate from RAAF Base East Sale (VIC), RAAF Base Pearce (WA), RAAF Base Edinburgh (SA) and RAAF Base Williamtown (NSW).</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus is on ensuring the sustainable delivery of the Pilot Training System.</p>

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 (Continued) ^[a] ^[b]

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Air Domain (Continued)			
MC-55A Long Range ISREW Aircraft	CAF40	136	The MC-55A Peregrine Airborne Intelligence Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Electronic Warfare Capability will sustain a fleet of MC-55A Peregrine aircraft and related support systems. During 2026-27, the focus is on supporting the newly delivered capability, continuing to mature the initial sustainment arrangements, and establishing the spiral development and deeper maintenance program.
Advanced Testing & Training Environment	CAF23	129	The Advanced Test and Training Environment (ATTE) comprises a number of live and synthetic test and training areas, that combine with crucial supporting capabilities to provide the war fighter with a realistic and threat representative ecosystem. This ecosystem delivers force generation outcomes across the Air Domain, supporting training, mission assurance, operational planning, and risk reduction activities. During 2026-27, the ATTE will continue to support Air Domain training outcomes and high priority test activities such as MQ-28A Ghost Bat.
Defence Enterprise Programs			
Explosive Ordnance Manufacturing Facilities	GWEO01	169	Explosive Ordnance Manufacturing Facilities provides for the safe, compliant, and sustainable operation of the Government Owned, Contractor Operated munitions and explosives factories at Benalla (VIC) and Mulwala (NSW). These facilities provide the Australian Defence Force with a supply of specified domestically manufactured munitions and a surge capability to be able to generate and maintain munitions stock surety. During 2026-27, critical sustainment outcomes will continue to be achieved with a strong and enduring commitment to safety, security and capability realisation. The facilities will preserve their existing explosives and munitions manufacturing capabilities, strengthening resilient supply chains for Australia and our strategic partners.
Defence Logistics	CJC034	135	The Defence Logistics product operates warehouses across the Logistic network to support the national support base, including the provision of freight services (domestically and international), along with the provision of clothing and retail stores services. During 2026-27, the focus will be on maturing the transition into service and the amalgamation of existing warehousing and distribution contract and the provision of retail stores into one encompassing contract whilst continuing to support the Australian Defence Force and partners.

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 (Continued) ^[a] ^[b]

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Land Domain			
Explosive Ordnance - Army Munitions Branch	CA59	348	<p>This product supports the sustainment of Army munitions and guided weapons inventory, which consists of small arms ammunition, pyrotechnics, mortar and artillery ammunition, special purpose ammunition, demolitions stores, vehicle, aviation and direct fire ammunition, and guided weapons. This also includes sustainment of inventory used by Navy and Air Force where Army is the lead service.</p> <p>During 2026-27, key sustainment activities include ongoing optimisation of land explosive ordnance inventory with Army, maturing through life management plans, and transitioning new capabilities procured by major projects to in-service sustainment. The product continues to refine the long-term forecast with Army to mitigate supply chain uncertainty and consider opportunities, which include considerations around potential domestic manufacturing options.</p>
Battlespace Communication Systems	CA31	239	<p>This product supports the sustainment of a range of deployable voice and data communications systems for battlespace command and control.</p> <p>During 2026-27, Defence will continue with further capability enhancements to the Integrated Battlespace Telecommunications Network, the ongoing management of Tactical Communication Network equipment, the reduction and disposal of obsolete radio systems, the continued rationalisation and improvement of Land Force headset fleets, and provide support for the design, acquisition and sustainment of related systems.</p>
Protected Mobility Fleet - Bushranger	CA04	147	<p>This product provides in-service support for the Bushmaster Medium Protected Mobility Vehicles and Hawkei Light Protected Mobility Vehicles. Support is provided by Regional Joint Logistics Units and the vehicle manufacturer, Thales Australia. Contract deliverables include engineering support, spare parts and vehicle heavy grade repair.</p> <p>During 2026-27, Defence continues to sustain the Bushmaster and Hawkei fleets, ensuring the support systems for both fleets are optimised to meet Army's requirements.</p>
Black Hawk Weapons System	CA11	142	<p>This product sustains the UH-60M Black Hawk helicopter capability and associated training devices. In-service support is led by the Commonwealth and complemented by support contracts with Australian industry and the United States Government Foreign Military Sales program.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the capability will consolidate and expand the Air Assault capability, supported by continued maturation of operating and support systems through the build-up of spares, tooling, deployment kits and maintenance capabilities. Pilot and maintainer training will continue to mature with all major training devices delivered to the Army Aviation Training Centre in 2026.</p>
Apache	CA67	111	<p>This product sustains the AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopter capability and associated training devices. In-service support is led by the Commonwealth and complemented by support contracts with Australian industry and the United States Government Foreign Military Sales program.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the sustainment focus is supporting the acceptance of additional helicopters, key mission equipment (including the mast-mounted Fire Control Radar), continued in-lay of spares and maturation of the Apache support system.</p>

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 (Continued) ^{[a] [b]}

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Land Domain (Continued)			
Commercial Vehicles Fleet	CA19	111	<p>This product consists of, and provides in-service support to, approximately 7,000 commercial off-the-shelf vehicles, including passenger vehicles through to heavy rigid trucks, aviation-refuelling vehicles, and touring coaches.</p> <p>During 2026-27, Defence will continue to acquire and sustain the commercial off-the-shelf vehicles fleet, including specialist-built capabilities, such as Medical Evacuation Vehicles and Multi-Purpose Tow Vehicles.</p>
Maritime Domain			
Collins Class Submarine	CN10	921	<p>This product comprises support arrangements to safely maintain the materiel capability of six Collins class submarines and the present submarine escape and rescue capability. This work is conducted under enterprise arrangements with industry and through key contracts with ASC Pty Ltd, Raytheon Australia, Thales Australia, BAE Systems, PMB Defence, JFD Australia, and other providers.</p> <p>Collins class sustainment was declared a Product of Concern in December 2024. During 2026-27, the program will continue to progress activities to remediate performance towards meeting Navy's agreed Collins Class submarine performance targets, as continual improvement and efficiency initiatives are implemented. Ongoing Collins Class submarine life-of-type extension work (through SEA 1450) will continue to integrate with sustainment plans for the Collins Class fleet through CN10.</p>
Anzac Class Frigate	CN02	419	<p>This product supports seven Anzac Class frigates and associated support systems through the provision of materiel support, maintenance and engineering services.</p> <p>In 2026-27, the focus will be on completing the scheduled and corrective maintenance activities across the remaining Anzac Class frigates to ensure Navy's availability and seaworthiness requirements are met; continued implementation of the class usage and upkeep cycle to align with the delivery of the General Purpose Frigates; and the ongoing installation of platform upgrades.</p>
Hobart Class Destroyer	CN40	294	<p>This product supports the three Hobart Class destroyers through the provision of materiel support and ongoing maintenance of the ships and associated equipment, systems and operator training facilities.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus will be on completing the scheduled and corrective maintenance activities across the Hobart Class to ensure Navy's availability and seaworthiness requirements are met; and progressing the Destroyer Capability Enhancement Program, inclusive of the Aegis Upgrade Program (SEA 4000 Phase 6), taking place at the Osborne Naval Shipyard in Adelaide.</p>
MH-60R Seahawk Romeo Helicopter	CN35	241	<p>This product sustains the MH-60R Seahawk helicopters and associated training devices. The MH-60R capability is operated from HMAS Albatross in Nowra NSW and currently supports up to eight embarked flights on Royal Australian Navy ships. In-service support is led by the Commonwealth and provided through the United States Government Foreign Military Sales program.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the product will increase sustainment support as additional MH-60R aircraft and associated spares are delivered through the SEA 9100 project. This will expand embarked maritime aviation capability to nine flights.</p>

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 (Continued) ^{[a] [b]}

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Maritime Domain (Continued)			
Large Hull Vessels	CN58	176	<p>This product supports offshore auxiliary vessels including ADV Ocean Protector, ADV Besant, ADV Stoker, ADV Sycamore, ADV Reliant, ADV Guidance and MV Mercator through the provision of contractor vessel operation, materiel support, maintenance and engineering and other sustainment requirements.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus will be on completing the scheduled and corrective maintenance activities across the commercial auxiliary fleet to ensure Navy's availability and seaworthiness requirements are met.</p>
Canberra Class Amphibious Ship	CN34	167	<p>This product supports the two Canberra Class Landing Helicopter Docks (LHDs) and 12 LHD landing craft, through the provision of materiel support and ongoing maintenance of the ships and associated equipment, systems and operator training facilities.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus will be on completing the scheduled and corrective maintenance activities across the Canberra Class to ensure Navy's availability and seaworthiness requirements are met; and continuing installation activities for the Canberra Class capability assurance program (SEA 2048 Phase 6).</p>
Navy Explosive Ordnance	CN54	150	<p>Navy Explosive Ordnance supports Navy's guided weapons and munitions capabilities including countermeasures, navigational outfits and Naval gunnery. Asset management is executed through three teams: air and missile defence, maritime strike and munitions, and, underwater warfare weapons. The asset management objective is to maximise weapon availability.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus is on increasing and maintaining availability of in-service inventories, incorporating new products into existing support systems, and preparing support systems to meet future inventory demand forecasts. This will also include consideration of domestic manufacturing opportunities and in-country maintenance, repair, overhaul and upgrades where it increases weapon availability.</p>
Armidale Class Patrol Boat	CN09	129	<p>This product supports the Armidale Class Patrol Boats, Cape Class Patrol Boats and Evolved Cape Class Patrol Boats through the provision of materiel support of the ships and associated equipment and systems.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus will be on continued materiel delivery in support of the patrol force, including asset management, engineering and logistics support and development of the enduring support system for the Evolved Cape Class Patrol Boats.</p>
Aegis Combat System	CN60	125	<p>This product covers the Aegis Combat System in the Hobart Class destroyer, as well as the related shore-based test and training infrastructure in Australia and the United States.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the focus is for ready, reliable and capable Hobart Class destroyers, optimised to deter and respond in the primary operating environment; and further developing Australian Industry capability and capacity to support this outcome.</p>
Maritime Electronic Warfare And Radar Systems	CN24	119	<p>The Maritime Electronic Warfare and Radar Systems Product provides sustainment services for Electronic Warfare capabilities. These capabilities include the Nulka Active Missile Decoy capability, Radar and Communication Electronic Support capabilities, the Multi-Ammunition Softkill System (MASS), and the supporting Capability Assurance Program that maintains these systems with contemporary and relevant Mission Data.</p> <p>During 2026-27, Defence will continue to sustain Royal Australian Navy electronic warfare capabilities. This includes the provision for the associated support infrastructure and classified facilities that assure the ongoing viability and operation of these capabilities.</p>

Table 55: Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products by End of Financial Year Outcome 2026-27 (Continued) ^[a] ^[b]

Domain/Product Name	Product Serial	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 30 Capability Sustainment Product Descriptions
Maritime Domain (Continued)			
Maritime Aviation Support	CN48	114	This product provides critical enabling support for Navy's unique embarked aviation operations, delivering support equipment, technical support and other shipborne aviation and integration equipment to Navy's air capable ships. This product also provides contract management of all ADF Aviation Search and Rescue (SAR) and other specialist capability-support contracts. During 2026-27, the product will commence the transition of existing ADF SAR contract arrangements into a single Defence Search and Rescue Services contract.

	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m
Total Top 30 Capability Sustainment Products	7,159
Other Sustainment Product Estimates	4,010
Total Capability Sustainment Product Funds Available	11,169

Notes

- a. Budget Estimate 2026-27 is on an accrual basis, and funded by appropriation.
- b. Figures may not add due to rounding.

Appendix D: Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure

The Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure Program component of the Integrated Investment Program comprises approved and unapproved major and medium capital facilities and infrastructure projects. These projects provide new and refurbished facilities and infrastructure to sustain the Defence Estate, support current and future capability requirements, support Government initiatives, and ensure compliance with legislative obligations. The upgrade and development of Australia's northern network of bases, ports and barracks are being prioritised to support the implementation of the National Defence Strategy and Integrated Investment Program.

Major capital facilities and infrastructure projects are defined as having expenditure of \$75 million and over (excluding GST) and are subject to Government and Parliamentary approval. Medium capital facilities and infrastructure projects have expenditure between \$5 million and \$75 million (excluding GST), and are subject to Government approval and notification to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works. Details of approved major and medium Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure Program projects are provided in this Appendix.

Approved Major and Medium Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure Program Projects

The table below, and the following descriptions, provide details on the progress and expenditure of approved major and medium Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure Program projects for 2026-27.

Table 56: Approved Major and Medium Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure Program Projects by State and Federal Electorate

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
DEF 01 Submarine Rotational Force - West Infrastructure Project				
Priority Works				
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand	2,256.7	667.4	659.3
RAAF Base Tindal Redevelopment Stage 6 and United States Force Posture Initiative (USFPI) Airfield Works and Associated Infrastructure				
RAAF Base Tindal	NT - Lingiari	1,582.0	1,277.5	214.8
Enhanced Land Force (ELF) Stage 2				
Lone Pine Barracks	NSW - Hunter		115.8	-
Puckapunyal Training Area	VIC - Nicholls		11.7	-
Simpson Barracks	VIC - Jagajaga		20.2	-
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		9.6	-
Lavarack Barracks	QLD - Herbert		62.0	-
Townsville Training Area	QLD - Kennedy		3.9	-
Greenbank Training Area	QLD - Wright		120.7	-
Gallipoli Barracks	QLD - Ryan		828.9	-
Wide Bay Training Area	QLD - Wide Bay		78.3	-
Kokoda Barracks	QLD - Wright		71.8	-
Cultana Training Area	SA - Grey		77.6	8.1
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence		34.7	-
Majura Field Training Area	ACT - Canberra		13.4	-
Royal Military College Canberra	ACT - Canberra		9.0	-
Mount Stuart	QLD - Kennedy		4.1	-
Total		1,476.0	1,461.7	8.1

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
Navy Capability Infrastructure				
Sub-program: Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) Facilities (SEA 1180 Phase 1)				
HMAS Coonawarra	NT - Solomon		207.5	47.0
RAAF Base Darwin	NT - Solomon		12.9	-
HMAS Cairns	QLD - Leichhardt		206.2	23.1
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		214.4	-
Henderson Maritime Precinct	WA - Fremantle		54.7	-
Total		918.5	695.7	70.1
Navy Capability Infrastructure				
Sub-program: Hunter Class Frigate				
Program Facilities (SEA 5000 Phase 1)				
HMAS Watson	NSW - Wentworth		0.0	-
Garden Island Defence Precinct	NSW - Wentworth		0.0	-
St Kilda	SA - Spence		101.2	-
Osborne Naval Shipyard	SA - Hindmarsh		146.7	3.2
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		268.7	0.6
Henderson Maritime Precinct	WA - Fremantle		104.9	-
Total		915.5	621.5	3.8
Maritime Patrol Aircraft Replacement (AIR 7000 Phase 2B)				
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence		539.0	25.2
RAAF Base Darwin	NT - Solomon		159.5	-
RAAF Base Townsville	QLD - Herbert		25.8	-
RAAF Base Pearce	WA - Durack		110.9	-
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		4.6	-
Total		896.9	839.8	25.2
Cocos (Keeling) Islands				
Airfield Upgrade				
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	NT - Lingiari	749.9	159.8	170.7
USFPI Northern Territory Training Areas and Ranges Upgrades				
Bradshaw Field Training Area	NT - Lingiari		368.5	10.8
Kangaroo Flats Training Area	NT - Lingiari		117.1	1.6
Mount Bunday Training Area	NT - Lingiari		89.6	5.5
Robertson Barracks Close Training Area	NT - Lingiari		116.4	1.8
Total		747.0	691.6	19.6
Facilities to Support Highly Available ICT Project				
South Australia	SA	674.7	248.6	306.9
RAAF Base Learmonth Redevelopment Enabling KC-30 Operations				
RAAF Base Learmonth	WA - Durack	662.2	178.2	208.0
Larrakeyah Defence Precinct Redevelopment Program				
Larrakeyah Defence Precinct	NT - Solomon	601.7	577.4	15.4
RAAF Base Wagga Redevelopment				
RAAF Base Wagga	NSW - Riverina	590.0	67.2	119.4
Army Aviation Program of Works				
RAAF Base Townsville	QLD - Herbert		120.5	130.5
Townsville Field Training Area	QLD - Kennedy		-	21.2
Total		518.3	120.5	151.7
HMAS Watson Redevelopment				
HMAS Watson	NSW - Wentworth	484.0	377.4	76.9

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
Facilities to Support Joint Intelligence and Targeting Training Facility				
Canberra	ACT		83.3	32.3
South Australia	SA		52.5	95.8
Total		433.6	135.8	128.1
Airfield Capital Works P0010 (Amberley, Pearce, Richmond and Albatross)				
HMAS Albatross	NSW - Gilmore		109.7	8.0
RAAF Base Richmond	NSW - Macquarie		82.2	7.9
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		73.5	8.0
RAAF Base Pearce	WA - Durack		110.8	7.9
Total		427.9	376.0	31.8
Facilities to Support AIR 7000 Phase 1B Remotely Piloted Aircraft System				
RAAF Base Tindal	NT - Lingiari		282.7	1.8
Edinburgh Defence Precinct	SA - Spence		108.5	2.7
Total		427.1	391.2	4.5
Albury Wodonga Military Area Redevelopment				
Albury Wodonga Military Area	VIC - Indi	395.7	59.1	87.8
Robertson Barracks Base Improvements Project				
Robertson Barracks	NT - Lingiari	389.1	254.7	67.6
Facilities to Support LAND 8113PH1 Long Range Fires First Regiment				
Edinburgh Defence Precinct	SA - Spence		20.0	126.3
Puckapunyal Military Area	VIC - Nicholls		1.7	1.3
Total		376.7	21.7	127.6
Explosive Ordnance Facilities Northern NSW Redevelopment				
Defence Establishment Orchard Hills	NSW - Lindsay	359.3	24.2	106.9
Airfield Capital Works P0009 (RAAF Base Darwin and Mount Bunday)				
Mount Bunday	NT - Lingiari		5.0	1.1
RAAF Base Darwin	NT - Solomon		210.2	8.9
Total		351.7	215.3	10.0
Defence Fuel Transformation Program - Tranche 2 Facilities Program				
HMAS Creswell	ACT - Fenner		0.1	1.5
Garden Island Defence Precinct	NSW - Wentworth		0.7	15.1
HMAS Albatross	NSW - Gilmore		0.8	3.0
HMAS Waterhen	NSW - Warringah		0.7	3.0
Holsworthy Barracks	NSW - Hughes		0.7	1.5
RAAF Base Williamstown	NSW - Paterson		0.6	3.0
RAAF Base Darwin	NT - Solomon		0.6	3.0
RAAF Base Tindal	NT - Lingiari		1.3	3.0
Borneo Barracks	QLD - Groom		0.4	3.0
Longreach	QLD - Maranoa		0.6	3.0
Lavarack Barracks	QLD - Herbert		0.5	3.0
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		1.7	4.5
RAAF Base Townsville	QLD - Herbert		1.6	3.0
Port Wakefield	SA - Grey		0.7	3.0
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence		0.3	3.0
Puckapunyal Military Area	VIC - Nicholls		0.8	10.5
Army Testing Ground Monegeetta	VIC - McEwen		0.5	3.0
RAAF Base Learmonth	WA - Durack		14.0	69.3

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
Geraldton	WA - Durack		0.5	3.0
Laverton	WA - O'Connor		0.6	3.0
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		0.7	3.0
Bindoon Training Area	WA - Bullwinkel		0.7	3.0
Total		351.7	28.9	150.7
Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid-Term Refresh				
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence	311.9	86.9	92.8
Guided Weapons Explosive Ordnance Storage				
Defence Establishment Orchard Hills	NSW - Lindsay		76.6	110.6
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		14.6	1.1
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		30.8	2.3
Total		302.0	122.0	114.0
Garden Island (East) Critical Infrastructure Recovery Program (CIRP) Stage 2				
Garden Island Defence Precinct	NSW - Wentworth	286.5	284.9	0.0
Facilities to Support Enhanced Defence Communications				
HMAS Harman	ACT - Bean		0.0	-
Russell Offices	ACT - Canberra		0.0	-
Riverina Region	NSW - Riverina		17.9	-
Darwin Region	NT - Solomon		41.4	21.8
Townsville Region	QLD - Herbert		27.4	-
North West Cape Region	WA - Durack		7.1	30.1
Total		280.3	93.8	51.9
Facilities to Support LAND 19 Phase 7B Short Range Ground Based Air Defence				
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence	266.1	255.3	0.0
Airfield Capital Works P0013 (Curtin and Learmonth)				
RAAF Base Curtin	WA - Durack		0.0	-
RAAF Base Learmonth	WA - Durack		25.9	110.8
Total		237.2	26.0	110.8
Facilities to Support AIR 5349 Advanced Growler Phase 6				
Delamere Air Weapons Range	NT - Lingiari		87.6	8.9
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		19.7	15.2
Total		228.2	107.3	24.1
Facilities to Support Special Operations Capability Enhancements				
Holsworthy Barracks	NSW - Hughes		39.7	33.6
Campbell Barracks	WA - Curtin		48.5	23.4
Total		225.6	88.2	57.0
Land 121 Phase 5B Facilities Project				
Lavarack Barracks	QLD - Herbert		7.0	-
Robertson Barracks	NT - Lingiari		0.0	-
Gallipoli Barracks	QLD - Ryan		107.8	2.9
Derwent Barracks	TAS - Clark		17.3	-
Puckapunyal Military Area	VIC - Nicholls		9.0	-
Campbell Barracks	WA - Curtin		35.7	-
Porton Barracks	QLD - Kennedy		0.1	-
Total		183.3	176.8	2.9
Airfield Capital Works P0008 (RAAF Base Williamtown)				
RAAF Base Williamtown	NSW - Paterson	181.3	179.3	0.0

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
Fishermans Bend Redevelopment				
Fishermans Bend	VIC - Macnamara	160.9	86.7	39.2
RAAF Base Darwin Mid-Term Refresh				
RAAF Base Darwin	NT - Solomon	159.9	101.3	46.2
Facilities to Support SEA 9100 Phase 1 Improved Embarked Logistics Support Helicopter				
HMAS Albatross	NSW - Gilmore		32.2	75.6
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		0.0	4.8
Total		146.0	32.2	80.4
Airfield Capital Works P0012 (RAAF Base Townsville)				
RAAF Base Townsville	QLD - Herbert	127.6	49.1	40.6
HMAS Harman Redevelopment				
HMAS Harman	ACT - Bean	116.4	73.6	30.2
AIR 2025 Phase 6 Jindalee Operational Radar Networks (JORN) Facilities Project				
Alice Springs	NT - Lingiari		71.2	28.4
Murray Bridge Training Area	SA - Barker		1.4	-
RAAF Base Learmonth	WA - Durack		-	-
Geraldton	WA - Durack		3.2	-
Total		112.1	75.8	28.4
Armoured Fighting Vehicles Facilities Program Stage 2				
Gallipoli Barracks	QLD - Ryan		12.4	-
Lavarack Barracks	QLD - Herbert		26.6	55.6
Albury Wodonga Military Area	VIC - Indi		9.3	-
Puckapunyal Military Area	VIC - Nicholls		0.0	-
Total		104.4	48.2	55.6
Airfield Capital Works P0006 (Curtin, Tindal and Townsville)				
RAAF Base Tindal	NT - Lingiari		47.5	-
RAAF Base Townsville	QLD - Herbert		9.9	15.0
RAAF Base Curtin	WA - Durack		15.2	-
Total		95.3	72.6	15.0
Cultana Training Area Redevelopment Phase 2				
Cultana Training Area	SA - Grey	79.8	22.1	48.8
Facilities to Support Information and Communication Technology Early Works				
New South Wales	NSW		0.0	14.0
Queensland	QLD		12.6	39.1
South Australia	SA		0.0	2.8
Total		73.8	12.6	55.8
North Queensland Mid-Term Refresh Program: RAAF Base Townsville Mid-Term Refresh Project				
RAAF Base Townsville	QLD - Herbert	72.8	61.9	1.9
Facilities to Support JP 8218 Theatre Logistics				
North Bandiana	VIC - Indi	67.3	28.6	38.7
RAAF Base Amberley Sewage Treatment Plant				
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair	60.7	29.3	18.2

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
Anglesea Paterson Project				
Anglesea Barracks	TAS - Clark		22.1	-
North Launceston	TAS - Bass		6.5	21.5
Youngtown Depot	TAS - Bass		2.4	-
Total		57.4	31.0	21.5
Facilities to Support SEA 2273 Fleet Information Environment Modernisation Project				
HMAS Kuttabul	NSW - Wentworth		5.6	-
HMAS Cerberus	VIC - Flinders		0.5	-
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		28.4	0.1
HMAS Coonawarra	NT - Solomon		2.8	0.2
HMAS Cairns	QLD - Leichhardt		0.9	0.2
Total		56.2	38.2	0.5
Guided Weapons Explosive Ordnance Program Accelerated Storage				
Defence Establishment Myambat	NSW - New England	52.2	45.6	4.2
Facilities to Support LAND 129 Phase 3 Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicles				
Gallipoli Barracks	QLD - Ryan	51.7	48.2	1.0
Guided Weapons Explosive Ordnance Program Accelerated Storage				
Defence Establishment Jennings	NSW - New England	44.1	36.6	0.3
Guided Weapons Production Capability Assembly Facility				
Port Wakefield	SA - Grey	40.2	23.4	0.1
Puckapunyal Health and Wellbeing Centre				
Puckapunyal Military Area	VIC - Nicholls	39.8	39.7	0.0
LAND 2110 Phase 1B - Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Defence Facilities				
HMAS Stirling	WA - Brand		0.8	-
Bindoon Training Area	WA - Bullwinkel		0.5	-
Robertson Barracks	NT - Lingiari		2.4	4.2
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence		1.9	3.5
Lavarack Barracks	QLD - Herbert		1.7	4.4
Gallipoli Barracks	QLD - Ryan		1.5	0.4
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		3.1	0.5
Holsworthy Barracks	NSW - Hughes		1.1	-
Kapooka Military Area	NSW - Riverina		5.4	-
RAAF Base Wagga	NSW - Riverina		0.9	-
HMAS Creswell	ACT - Fenner		1.7	-
Majura Range	ACT - Canberra		1.4	-
HMAS Cerberus	VIC - Flinders		0.8	-
Dutson Air Weapons Range	VIC - Gippsland		1.1	-
Total		38.3	24.2	13.0
General John Baker Complex Capability Assurance Project Tranche 1				
General John Baker Complex	NSW - Eden Monaro	37.3	33.0	0.0
Facilities to Support LAND 8116 Phase 1 Protected Mobile Fires				
Lavarack Barracks	QLD - Herbert		29.1	2.7
Puckapunyal Military Area	VIC - Nicholls		0.7	0.0
Total		36.5	29.8	2.7
Relocation of Units from Elizabeth North Training Depot				
Edinburgh Defence Precinct	SA - Spence	35.4	31.8	0.3

Project	State and Federal Electorate	Total Estimated Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$m
Facilities to Support LAND 3025 Phase 2 Deployable Special Operations Engineer Regiment				
Holsworthy Barracks	NSW - Hughes	35.3	31.8	0.0
Facilities to Support LAND 8180 Phase 1 Aviation and Field Fire Truck				
RAAF Base Richmond	NSW - Macquarie		0.2	0.3
RAAF Base Williamtown	NSW - Paterson		0.2	0.3
RAAF Base Tindal	NT - Lingiari		0.4	0.3
RAAF Base Amberley	QLD - Blair		3.7	25.5
Total		32.4	4.6	26.3
HMAS Creswell Mid-Term Refresh Project				
HMAS Creswell	ACT - Fenner	30.7	26.6	0.5
North Queensland Mid-Term Refresh Program: Townsville Field Training Area Mid-Term Refresh Project				
Townsville Field Training Area	QLD - Kennedy	22.8	18.1	0.0
Facilities for A Company 41st Royal New South Wales Regiment Tweed Heads Region				
Tweed Heads	NSW - Richmond	17.4	16.2	1.0
North Queensland Mid-Term Refresh Program: HMAS Cairns Mid-Term Refresh Project				
HMAS Cairns	QLD - Leichhardt	15.6	14.4	0.4
RAAF Base Pearce Additional Flight Training Device				
RAAF Base Pearce	WA - Durack	11.5	11.3	0.0
Facilities to Support LAND 159 Phase 1 Lethality Systems				
Greenbank Training Area	QLD - Wright	8.2	5.3	0.0
Facilities to Support P-8A Poseidon Capability Assurance Program				
RAAF Base Edinburgh	SA - Spence	4.9	2.2	2.1
Total		21,133.5	12,117.7	3,791.3

Note

- a. The sum of the individual project totals, where a project has multiple sites within the table, and the table's total figures may differ due to rounding. Budget estimates shown as 0.0 are amounts greater than \$0 but less than \$50,000.

Explanation of Projects

Australian Capital Territory

HMAS Harman Redevelopment

This project is delivering facilities and infrastructure at HMAS Harman, ACT, including upgrading, replacing and providing new engineering services, command facility, entry precinct, office accommodation, and living-in accommodation. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2026.

HMAS Creswell Mid-Term Refresh

This project is refurbishing existing facilities and infrastructure at HMAS Creswell, Jervis Bay, ACT, including engineering services, car parking, and entry precinct. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

New South Wales

RAAF Base Wagga Redevelopment

This project is addressing condition, capacity and compliance issues at RAAF Base Wagga, NSW, including upgrading engineering services, constructing new infrastructure, and demolishing aged facilities. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2031.

HMAS Watson Redevelopment

This project is addressing condition, capacity and compliance issues with facilities and infrastructure at HMAS Watson, Sydney, NSW. This includes engineering services and training facilities. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2028.

Explosive Ordnance Facilities Northern New South Wales Redevelopment

This project is providing new, and remediating existing, facilities and infrastructure to support training, storage, maintenance and distribution activities at Defence Establishment Orchard Hills, NSW. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2029.

Garden Island (East) Critical Infrastructure Recovery Program (CIRP) Stage 2

This project is providing upgraded wharves and engineering services to address condition, capacity and compliance issues at the Garden Island Defence Precinct, Sydney, NSW. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2027.

Airfield Capital Works P0008 (RAAF Base Williamtown)

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Guided Weapons Explosive Ordnance Program Accelerated Storage Myambat

This project is providing storage at Defence Establishment, Myambat, NSW. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

Guided Weapons Explosive Ordnance Program Accelerated Storage Jennings

This project is providing storage at Defence Establishment Jennings, NSW. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2026.

General John Baker Complex Capability Assurance Project Tranche 1

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Facilities to Support LAND 3025 Phase 2 Deployable Special Operations Engineer Regiment

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Facilities for A Company 41st Royal New South Wales Regiment Tweed Heads Region

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Northern Territory**RAAF Base Tindal Redevelopment Stage 6 and United States Force Posture Initiative (USFPI) Airfield Works and Associated Infrastructure**

This program is delivering a range of new and refurbished facilities and infrastructure, including airfield improvements and engineering services upgrades, at RAAF Base Tindal, NT. This program of works is scheduled for completion in late 2026.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Airfield Upgrade

This project is upgrading the airfield and constructing supporting infrastructure at Cocos (Keeling) Islands. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2029.

USFPI Northern Territory Training Areas and Ranges Upgrades

This project is providing upgraded range facilities and associated infrastructure at the Bradshaw Field, Kangaroo Flats, Mount Bunday and Robertson Barracks Close training areas in the NT. This includes range control, training camp accommodation, small arms ranges, roads, and supporting facilities and infrastructure. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

Larrakeyah Defence Precinct Redevelopment Program

This program is upgrading critical base infrastructure at the Larrakeyah Defence Precinct, NT. This includes upgrading engineering services and providing a new wharf. This program is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

Robertson Barracks Base Improvements Project

This project is upgrading engineering services such as potable water and power, providing additional living-in accommodation, and upgrading engineering services at Robertson Barracks, NT. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2027.

Airfield Capital Works P0009 (RAAF Darwin and Mount Bunday)

This project is maintaining aircraft pavements and aeronautical ground lighting at RAAF Base Darwin, NT and Mount Bunday, NT. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

RAAF Base Darwin Mid-Term Refresh

This project is upgrading the entry and engineering services, such as water and sewer networks, at RAAF Base Darwin, NT. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

Queensland

Army Aviation Program of Works

This program of works is providing facilities and infrastructure to support new helicopter capability at RAAF Base Townsville and Townsville Field Training Area, QLD. This program is scheduled for completion in late 2028.

Airfield Capital Works P0012 (RAAF Base Townsville)

This project is maintaining aircraft pavements and aeronautical ground lighting at RAAF Base Townsville, QLD. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

RAAF Base Townsville Mid-Term Refresh Project

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

RAAF Base Amberley Sewage Treatment Plant

This project is providing a new sewage treatment plant and associated infrastructure and facilities, including administration and storage at RAAF Base Amberley, QLD. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

Facilities to Support LAND 129 Phase 3 Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicles

This project is providing facilities and infrastructure to support Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle capability at Gallipoli Barracks, QLD. It includes working accommodation, training, storage, and hardstand facilities. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2026.

Townsville Field Training Area Mid-Term Refresh Project

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

HMAS Cairns Mid-Term Refresh Project

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Facilities to Support LAND 159 Phase 1 Lethality Systems

This project is providing upgraded training facilities and associated infrastructure at the Greenbank Training Area, QLD. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

South Australia

Facilities to Support Highly Available ICT Project

This project is providing a new facility. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2027.

Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid-Term Refresh

This project is upgrading base infrastructure at the Edinburgh Defence Precinct, SA including engineering services such as power and water. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2028.

Facilities to Support LAND 19 Phase 7B Short Range Ground Based Air Defence

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Cultana Training Area Redevelopment Phase 2

This project is providing new facilities and infrastructure to expand the training area into a training range at the Cultana Training Area, SA. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2026.

Guided Weapons Production Capability Assembly Facility

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Relocation of Units from Elizabeth North Training Depot

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Facilities to Support P-8A Poseidon Capability Assurance Program

This project is providing minor fit-out works to support the installation of equipment. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2027.

Tasmania**Anglesea Paterson Project**

This project is upgrading engineering services and refurbishing buildings at Anglesea Barracks, and constructing new facilities in North Launceston, TAS. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

Victoria**Albury Wodonga Military Area Redevelopment**

This project is addressing condition, capacity and compliance issues at the Albury Wodonga Military Area, VIC, including upgrading engineering services, constructing new facilities and infrastructure, and demolishing aged facilities. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2029.

Fishermans Bend Redevelopment

This project is addressing condition, capacity and compliance issues at Fishermans Bend, VIC, including upgrading engineering services, refurbishing existing facilities and providing new working accommodation. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2027.

Facilities to Support JP 8218 Theatre Logistics

This project is providing infrastructure at North Bandiana, VIC, including vehicle shelters, civil works and engineering services. This project is scheduled for completion in 2026.

Puckapunyal Health and Wellbeing Centre

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Western Australia

DEF 01 Submarine Rotational Force - West Infrastructure Project Priority Works

This project is delivering infrastructure enhancements and upgrades at HMAS Stirling, WA to support the safe and secure operation of conventionally-armed, nuclear-powered submarines, and the establishment of the Submarine Rotational Force-West. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2028.

RAAF Base Learmonth Redevelopment Enabling KC-30 Operations

This project is upgrading the airfield including the runway, taxiway and parking aprons at RAAF Base Learmonth, WA. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2028.

Airfield Capital Works P0013 (Curtin and Learmonth)

This project is maintaining aircraft pavements and aeronautical ground lighting at RAAF Base Curtin, WA and RAAF Base Learmonth, WA. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2028.

RAAF Base Pearce Additional Flight Training Device

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Various Locations

Enhanced Land Force (ELF) Stage 2

This project provided purpose-built facilities and supporting infrastructure to support ELF capabilities across various bases. This included the construction of new and refurbished accommodation, common use, and training facilities, and upgraded site infrastructure. The works are complete with the exception of access-related scope at the Cultana Training Area, SA, which is scheduled for completion in early 2027.

Navy Capability Infrastructure Sub-program

This program of works is providing new and upgraded facilities and infrastructure across various bases to support new frigate and offshore patrol vessels including:

Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) Facilities (SEA 1180 Phase 1)

This project is providing berthing, training, maintenance, logistics, and support facilities to support the introduction into service of the Arafura Class OPVs at HMAS Coonawarra and RAAF Base Darwin in the NT, HMAS Cairns in QLD, and HMAS Stirling and Henderson Maritime Precinct in WA. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2029.

Hunter Class Frigate Program Facilities (SEA 5000 Phase 1)

This project is providing upgraded facilities and infrastructure to support the introduction of the new Hunter Class frigates at HMAS Watson and the Garden Island Defence Precinct in NSW, St Kilda and Osborne Naval Shipyards in SA, and HMAS Stirling and Henderson Maritime Precinct in WA. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2027.

Maritime Patrol Aircraft Replacement (AIR 7000 Phase 2B)

This project is providing new and upgraded facilities and infrastructure to support the introduction of P-8A aircraft at RAAF Base Edinburgh, SA, RAAF Base Darwin, NT, RAAF Base Townsville, QLD, RAAF Base Pearce, WA, and HMAS Stirling, WA. The works are progressively scheduled for completion at each base up to mid-2027.

Facilities to Support Joint Intelligence and Targeting Training Facility

This project is providing a training and permanent facility in the ACT and SA. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2028.

Airfield Capital Works P0010 (Amberley, Pearce, Richmond and Albatross)

This project is maintaining aircraft pavements, aeronautical ground lighting, and drainage at HMAS Albatross, NSW and RAAF Base Richmond, NSW, RAAF Base Amberley, QLD and RAAF Base Pearce, WA. The works are scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

Facilities to Support AIR 7000 Phase 1B Remotely Piloted Aircraft System

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Facilities to Support LAND 8113 PH1 Long Range Fires First Regiment

This project is providing facilities and infrastructure at the Edinburgh Defence Precinct, SA and the Puckapunyal Military Area, VIC to support the operation and maintenance of long range fire capability. The scope includes new and refurbished training, storage and maintenance facilities. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2028.

Defence Fuel Transformation Program - Tranche 2 Facilities Program

This program will remediate, replace, upgrade and dispose existing fuel installations across various bases. The works are scheduled to commence in mid-2026 for completion in mid-2028.

Guided Weapons Explosive Ordnance Storage

This project is providing storage facilities and infrastructure at RAAF Base Amberley, QLD, HMAS Stirling, WA, and Defence Establishment Orchard Hills, NSW. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2027.

Facilities to Support Enhanced Defence Communications

This project is providing facilities and infrastructure to support the implementation of enhanced communications systems across various bases. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2030.

Facilities to Support AIR 5349 Advanced Growler Phase 6

This project is providing storage, maintenance and working accommodation at RAAF Base Amberley, QLD and Delamere Air Weapons Range, NT. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

Facilities to Support Special Operations Capability Enhancements

This project will deliver facilities and infrastructure to support workforce growth at Holsworthy Barracks, NSW and Campbell Barracks, WA. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2027.

LAND 121 Phase 5B Facilities Project

This project is now in the Defects Liability Period.

Facilities to Support SEA 9100 Phase 1 Improved Embarked Logistics Support Helicopter

This project is providing new and refurbished facilities to support new helicopter capability at HMAS Albatross, NSW and HMAS Stirling, WA. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

AIR 2025 Phase 6 Jindalee Operational Radar Networks (JORN) Facilities Project

This project is providing new facilities and infrastructure to support the mid-life upgrade of JORN capability at sites near Alice Springs, NT, Murray Bridge Training Area, SA, RAAF Base Learmonth, WA and Geraldton, WA. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

Armoured Fighting Vehicle Facilities Program Stage 2

This project is providing facilities and infrastructure at Gallipoli Barracks, QLD, Lavarack Barracks, QLD, Albury Wodonga Military Area, VIC and Puckapunyal Military Area, VIC to support vehicles. This project is scheduled for completion in early 2027.

Airfield Capital Works P0006 (Curtin, Tindal and Townsville)

This project is maintaining aircraft pavements and airfield lighting at RAAF Base Curtin, WA, RAAF Base Tindal, NT, and RAAF Base Townsville, QLD. The works at Curtin and Tindal are complete while the works at Townsville have been reprogrammed to align with similar works being delivered under a related project to minimise disruptions to airfield operations. These works are scheduled for completion in mid-2027.

Facilities to Support Information and Communication Technology Early Works

This project is delivering facilities to support networks and applications in NSW, QLD and SA. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2027.

Facilities to Support SEA 2273 Fleet Information Environment Modernisation Project

This project is providing an upgraded information system to support naval operations at HMAS Kuttabul, NSW, HMAS Cerberus, VIC, HMAS Stirling, WA, HMAS Coonawarra, NT and HMAS Cairns, QLD. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

LAND 2110 Phase 1B Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Defence Facilities

This project is providing new and refurbished facilities, including training and storage facilities, at various bases around Australia. This project is scheduled for completion in late 2026.

Facilities to Support LAND 8116 Phase 1 Protected Mobile Fires

This project is providing new storage, workshop, and shelter facilities, and upgrading road and infrastructure services at Lavarack Barracks, QLD and the Puckapunyal Military Area, VIC. This project is scheduled for completion in mid-2026.

Facilities to Support LAND 8180 Phase 1 Aviation and Field Fire Truck

This project will deliver training, testing, maintenance, and storage facilities to support the aviation and field fire truck capability at RAAF Base Amberley, QLD, RAAF Base Tindal, NT, RAAF Base Richmond, NSW and RAAF Base Williamstown, NSW. This project is scheduled to commence construction in mid-2026 for completion in early 2028.

Appendix E: Status of Projects Foreshadowed for Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works Consideration in 2026-27

Projects Foreshadowed for Consideration and Approval

During 2026-27, Defence expects to present a number of Enterprise Estate and Infrastructure Program (EEIP) capital facilities and infrastructure project proposals to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works (PWC). The following tables detail the proposed major capital facilities and infrastructure projects expected to be referred to the PWC, and medium capital facilities and infrastructure projects expected to be notified to the PWC.

Table 57: Major Capital Facilities Projects Foreshadowed for PWC Consideration and Approval in 2026-27

Project Description	State/Electorate	Actual/Indicative PWC Referral Date ^[a]	Actual/Indicative PWC Hearing Date ^{[a] [b]}	Indicative Parliamentary Approval Date ^[a]
Facilities to Support Air Mission Training System	VIC - Gippsland	Mid-2026	Mid-2026	Late 2026
Armoured Fighting Vehicle Facilities Program Stage 3	QLD - Various	Mid-2026	Mid-2026	Late 2026
Facilities to Support Theatre Logistics (Work Package 2.4)	WA - Perth	Mid-2026	Late 2026	Early 2027
Facilities to Support Hobart Class Destroyer Aegis System Upgrade	Various	Mid-2026	Late 2026	Early 2027

Notes

- a. Actual dates are shown in full. Forecast dates are shown as "Early", "Mid", "Late".
- b. Hearing dates are subject to the PWC's consideration and agreement.

Table 58: Medium Capital Facilities Projects Foreshadowed for PWC Notification in 2026-27

Project Description	State/Electorate	Actual/Indicative PWC Notification Date ^[a]	Indicative PWC Approval Date
Facilities to Support Joint Counter Improvised Explosive Device (Tranche 2)	Various	Mid-2026	Mid-2026

Note

- a. Actual dates are shown in full. Forecast dates are shown as "Early", "Mid", "Late".

Explanation of Projects

Australian Capital Territory

Not applicable.

New South Wales

Not applicable.

Northern Territory

Not applicable.

Queensland

Armoured Fighting Vehicle Facilities Program Stage 3

This project proposes to provide new and upgraded facilities and infrastructure at Gallipoli Barracks, Lavarack Barracks and Townsville Field Training Area, QLD. The proposed scope includes workshop and storage facilities.

South Australia

Not applicable.

Victoria

Facilities to Support Air Mission Training System

This project proposes to provide facilities and infrastructure at RAAF Base East Sale, VIC to support the replacement of the Air Mission Training System. The proposed scope includes living-in accommodation and training facilities.

Western Australia

Facilities to Support Theatre Logistics (Work Package 2.4)

This project proposes to provide logistics enabling facilities and infrastructure in Perth, WA. The proposed scope includes storage, warehousing, distribution, maintenance and support facilities.

Various Locations

Facilities to Support Hobart Class Destroyer Aegis System Upgrade

This project proposes to provide facilities and infrastructure at multiples sites across NSW and SA. The proposed scope includes logistics, test, support and training facilities.

Facilities to Support Joint Counter Improvised Explosive Device (Tranche 2)

This project proposes to provide facilities and infrastructure at multiple sites across QLD and the NT. The proposed scope includes storage facilities.

Appendix F: Top 5 Information and Communication Technology Approved Projects

The Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Program component of the Integrated Investment Program comprises approved and yet to be approved ICT projects. These projects support and sustain current and future capability requirements through the delivery of ICT to enable Command, Control, Communications, Computing, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) and Defence's corporate functions.

Table 59: Top 5 ICT Approved Projects by 2026-27 Forecast Expenditure (Gross Plan) ^[a] ^[b]

Project Name	Project Number/ Phase	Approved Project Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 5 ICT Project Descriptions
Defence Secret Network (DSN)	DEF 2222	2,081	467	297	<p>The project will deliver a scalable, resilient, secure, interoperable and supportable enterprise scale DSN. It will replace the existing DSN with a secure-by-design operating platform built on cloud technology, end user compute and storage, and the required connectivity to support a resilient and survivable capability. DEF 2222 is a critical enabler of many projects within the Integrated Investment Program (IIP) and will be delivered programmatically with JP 9111.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will finalise design and commence delivery of secure air gapped cloud solutions alongside associated enabling services and business transformation activities.</p>
Joint Command & Control	ICT 9111 Phase 1	1,490	154	252	<p>The project will deliver a warfighting network, called the Joint Command and Control Network (JC2Net), associated software applications, and support system. This network will be used by all Services, in all warfighting domains for SECRET and below information sharing within Defence, and with other government agencies and partner forces.</p> <p>This capability will be a critical enabler for the Integrated Force described in the Defence Strategic Review, enabling resilient Command and Control, and collaboration with partner forces.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will design, test, verify, and accredit the Warfighting Networks and Applications Support System in preparation for release, alongside establishing the foundational design of the Mission System.</p>
Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)	ICT 2283	1,536	1,087	202	<p>The ERP Program will deliver a risk prioritised, phased modernisation and integration of Defence's enterprise systems, stabilising and modernising mission critical HR, payroll, logistics, engineering, maintenance, finance, procurement and estate capabilities. Delivery will progress through tightly scoped waves, emphasising system integration, obsolescence remediation, sustainment affordability and operational continuity, supported by incremental Government reporting.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will progress the Human Resources transformation and enable the establishment of the Defence Delivery Agency as a separate agency within the ERP solution.</p>

Table 59: Top 5 ICT Approved Projects by 2026-27 Forecast Expenditure (Gross Plan) ^[a] ^[b]

Project Name	Project Number/ Phase	Approved Project Expenditure \$m	Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 \$m	Budget Estimate 2026-27 \$m	Top 5 ICT Project Descriptions
Fleet Information Environment Modernisation	SEA 2273	580	461	29	<p>The project will deliver a suite of integrated ICT systems, applications and infrastructure that supports both deployed operations and day-to-day administrative activities, where ships and submarine crews are located. The systems, collectively, will provide Command and Control between headquarters and other Navy platforms, Communication and information sharing with other Navy platforms, ADF deployed forces, Coalition partners, and Other Government Organisation assets. Situational awareness, intelligence and surveillance information to enable timely decision-making.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the Project will deliver systems to five Naval platforms including two platform First of Class installs. Work will also continue with ICT 9111 to develop the convergence plan for the integration of SEA 2273 systems into JC2Net.</p>
Integrated Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance and Processing Exploitation Dissemination Enterprise	DEF 2150	202	131	16	<p>This project will deliver the baseline Distributed Ground Station - Australia (DGS-AUS) Capability for the Processing, Exploitation and Dissemination (PED) of data and information collected by a range of airborne Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) platforms.</p> <p>During 2026-27, the project will complete delivery of the foundation components of the DGS-AUS Capability.</p>
Total Top 5 ICT Projects (Gross Plan)		5,888	2,300	797	

Notes

- a. Approved Project Expenditure, Estimated Cumulative Expenditure to 30 June 2026 and Budget Estimate 2026-27 are on an accrual basis and funded by appropriation.
b. Figures may not add due to rounding.

Appendix G: Australian Government Indigenous Expenditure

Table 60: Australian Government Indigenous Expenditure

		2025-26 Estimated Actual \$'000	2026-27 Budget Estimate \$'000
	Program		
Defence Indigenous Strategy	2.12	5,757	6,294
Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Program	2.6	7,010	5,540
Total Australian Government Indigenous Expenditure*		12,767	11,834

* Note the above funding is reallocated funding within Defence.

In 2026-27, Defence will continue to support improved social and economic outcomes for First Nations peoples through workforce participation, procurement, engagement and capability activities aligned with the Australian Government’s priorities under the National Agreement on Closing the Gap.

Defence will contribute to these outcomes through initiatives that support employment pathways, strengthen economic participation through Indigenous procurement and enhance cultural capability across the Defence organisation. These activities support Defence’s mission and purpose to defend Australia and its national interests in order to advance Australia’s security and prosperity, while fostering an inclusive and capable workforce.

Defence Workforce Indigenous Participation

Defence has set First Nations representation targets of 5 per cent for both the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and the Defence Australian Public Service (APS) workforces by 2030. As at 1 January 2026, the ADF participation rate was 3.8 per cent and the Defence APS participation rate was 1.8 per cent.

During 2026-27, Defence will continue to implement targeted recruitment, retention and career development initiatives to increase First Nations participation across the ADF and APS workforces. Workforce initiatives will focus on attraction, early career pathways and strengthening cultural capability to support retention and career progression, contributing to a workforce that reflects the diversity of the Australian community we serve.

Defence Indigenous Procurement Policy (IPP)

Defence continues to exceed Government targets under the Indigenous Procurement Policy (IPP) and is the Commonwealth’s largest procurer of First Nations goods and services. As at March 2026, over \$13.5 billion of Commonwealth Government contracts have been awarded to First Nations businesses since the introduction of the IPP in 2015. Of this, Defence has awarded over \$6.7 billion in contract value to First Nations businesses.

In 2026-27, Defence will continue to place strong emphasis on engagement with the First Nations business sector, creating opportunities and promoting greater inclusion of First Nations businesses within Defence’s procurement practices.

Defence Indigenous Programs

The ADF operates a number of First Nations employment pathway programs, including specialist ADF First Nations Recruitment Teams, the Navy and Army Indigenous Development Programs and Air Force Indigenous Recruitment Pathways Programs. The ADF also implements the Indigenous Pre-Recruit Program, a Tri-Service program, delivered across Australia. Defence will continue to partner with the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) to support programs identified in the Commonwealth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Strategy 2020-24. The Indigenous Graduate Pathway Program (managed by Defence since 2021) and the Indigenous Apprenticeship Program (IAP) aim to increase First Nations graduates and apprentices across Government agencies. Defence will also implement the Indigenous Development Employment Program (IDEP), to provide First Nations personnel with development opportunities in areas of communication, leadership, teamwork, personal development and critical thinking.

Defence Indigenous Community Assistance Programs

Defence delivers two Indigenous Community Assistance Programs, the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Program (AACAP) and the Air Force Exercise Kummundoo. AACAP is a Commonwealth Government initiative between Defence (Army) and the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA). It aims to improve infrastructure, health, living and economic conditions within remote Indigenous communities. These aims support the National Agreement on Closing the Gap which brings Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, governments and key stakeholders together, to address the inequality experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

AACAP projects leverage the ability of Army to deliver a range of services in remote areas, providing infrastructure works, employability skills training, health promotion and community support in a holistic and highly effective manner. Army also benefits from the opportunities afforded by the conduct of AACAP projects to exercise various operational capabilities in a unique cultural and physical environment. AACAP projects have recently occurred in Amata, SA (2024) and the Torres Strait, QLD (2025); AACAP 2026 will occur in Yungngora, WA. Army forward looking plans for the AACAP project include deployments to north-western WA, specifically the community of Yungngora.

Exercise Kummundoo is an initiative facilitated by the strategic partnership between the Royal Australian Air Force and the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) - the national peak body that represents Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations across Australia. It sees Air Force, through partnership with NACCHO, deploy small teams of personnel to remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across Australia, to work on health and wellbeing projects alongside the local community, to achieve outcomes that the community drive. This longstanding initiative demonstrates Air Force's strong commitment to supporting and enhancing primary healthcare outcomes in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities - actively contributing to Closing the Gap.

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